

**STATE CODES AND STANDARDS COMMITTEE
MINUTES**

December 9, 2015

1. The Vice-Chair called to order the regular meeting of the State Codes and Standards Committee. The meeting was held in the conference room (room G38) at 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

2. **In Attendance:**

- Keith Flood, Chair
- Anthony Bruno
- John Butkus
- Paul Costello
- Thomas DiBlasi
- Donald Doeg
- Louis Free
- Robert Hanbury
- Donald Harwood
- George Iskra
- David McKinley
- Henry Miga
- Michael Musco
- Glenn Neilson
- Michael Sinsigalli
- Fred Wajcs, Jr.
- William Zoeller

Also Present:

- Joseph Cassidy, OSBI
- Daniel Tierney, OSBI
- Terry Brouwer, OSFM
- Jenna Padula, DAS Legal
- Dan Veronick, OSBI
- Don Vigneau
- Bruce Spiewak, AIA
- Bill Nash, ICC
- Jack Lyons, NEMA
- Joanne Rees, AIA CT
- Diane Harp Jones, AIA CT

3. Attendance was taken and a quorum was present. A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes of the November 12, 2015 meeting. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

4. COMMUNICATIONS

- a. **A-8-15. Request for appeal from Robert Weber, Jr., Esq., re Rocky Hill Building Official's decision re 374 New Britain Avenue, Rocky Hill, CT.** *Panel consists of Glenn Neilson, Panel Chair; Henry Miga and William Zoeller. Thomas DiBlasi will be the alternate. ***Due to schedule conflicts panel revised on 12/10/15 to: Glenn Neilson, Panel Chair; William Zoeller and John Butkus. Robert Hanbury will be the alternate. Hearing set for Wednesday, February 10, 2016 at 11:30 a.m. in room G38.**

5. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. **Codes Amendment Subcommittee: (Free)**
This subcommittee met on November 24, 2015 and the morning of December 9, 2015. Next meeting is set for **January 13, 2016**. A discussion was held regarding the CT State Building Code, Chapters 1-4 and the Fire Safety Code. Motion was made and seconded to forward the Building Code Supplement and Fire Code Supplement in draft form to Jenna Padula, Legal Advisor, pending make-up hoods for residential occupancies, to begin review before going to the Governor's Office. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.
- b. **Ethics/Procedural Regulations Subcommittee: (Harwood)**
There was no report.

6. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Letter from David Waskowicz, Chairman, State of CT, Fire Protection Sprinkler Systems Work Examining Board re residential sprinkler requirements forwarded to legal counsel on 10/16/15 for review and comment. On 12/9/15 Legal Counsel advised to refer this to Codes Amendment Subcommittee.
- b. 2 Vacancies
Organized Labor Vacancy (previously held by Christopher Cozzi)
Contractor-HVAC Trades (previously held by Michael Nero)
Joe Cassidy advised work is progressing to fill both vacancies.

7. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. **Staff Report**
Terry Brouwer advised that Bruce Collins was recently hired in the Office of the State Fire Marshal (OSFM).

- b. **Fire Prevention Code Advisory Committee** (Harwood & Sinsigalli)
There was no report.
- c. **Joint Building Code Training Council (Musco)/ Fire Marshal Training Council (Harwood)/ (aka Joint BCTC/FMTC)**
This committee did not meet this month. Meeting date to be set.
- d. **Report on Bills**
There was no report.
- e. **Vote for Codes and Standards officer positions: Chair, Vice-Chair and Secretary.** Current Chair (Keith Flood) and Vice-Chair (Carlton Smith) have each served 1 term in their present positions. Secretary (David McKinley) has served 3 terms. Motion was made to carry the same officers except Secretary. A discussion followed.

Floor was opened for nominations for Chair and Vice-Chair positions. A brief discussion followed.

Motion was made and seconded to nominate Keith Flood, Chair, and Carlton Smith, Vice-Chair for their second term.

Another motion was made to nominate Carlton Smith, Chair, and Keith Flood as Vice-Chair.

Motion made and seconded to vote on nominations. A hand count was taken:
6 in favor of Keith Flood, Chair, and Carlton Smith, Vice-Chair
9 in favor of Carlton Smith, Chair, and Keith Flood, Vice-Chair
Motion carried to have Carlton Smith, Chair, and Keith Flood, Vice-Chair.

Floor was opened for nominations for Secretary. Motion was made to nominate Robert Hanbury. He declined the nomination. A discussion was held regarding the number of members that had already served as officers, responsibilities of the position and the value of the experience for newer members. Motion was made to nominate Glenn Neilson. Motion made to nominate Paul Costello. Motion seconded to nominate Paul Costello. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

8. APPEAL HEARINGS

- a. **A-10-14. Appeal from Bruce Spiewak re State Fire Marshal's decision re FM-0263-14 re Sandy Hook School, Building 2, 12 Dickinson Drive, Newtown, CT. Appeal panel was not set.** On 10/8/14 appellant requested appeal be tabled until the November meeting. **On 12/10/14 appellant requested this appeal be postponed until a draft determination is made by the Codes Amendment Subcommittee re**

what parts of Chapter 10 (Fire Code and Building Code) will be recommended for approval. Reason for modification denial stated in part that, "C&S had not addressed that section of the code yet." Hold on agenda.

- b. **A-7-15 (A-D) Request for appeal from Amy Blume, Esq., re New Haven Building Official's decision re**
- A) 89 Union Avenue, (Great Green Building, Unit 6), New Haven, CT
re no permit**
 - B) 89 Union Ave., 169 Union Ave., and 94 Columbus Avenue, New Haven, CT
re failed roof coverings in 17 buildings**
 - C) 89 Union Avenue (aka Cinque Green Building), New Haven, CT
re roof coverings & water infiltration**
 - D) 89 Union Avenue (Great Green Building, Units 1-6), New Haven, CT
re means of egress. Panel consists of Robert Hanbury, Panel Chair; Fred Wajcs, Jr. and Henry Miga. Glenn Neilson will be the alternate. Hearing set for November 10, 2015 was not held; on 10/29/15 appellant requested 60 day postponement. Hearing rescheduled to Wednesday, January 13, 2016 at 10:30 in room G38. Hold on agenda.**

9. GOOD OF THE ORDER

Members were wished a happy holiday. Current officers were thanked for serving on this Committee.

The next Codes and Standards Committee meeting is set for **January 13, 2016** and will be held in conference **room G38**, at 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

David McKinley, Secretary